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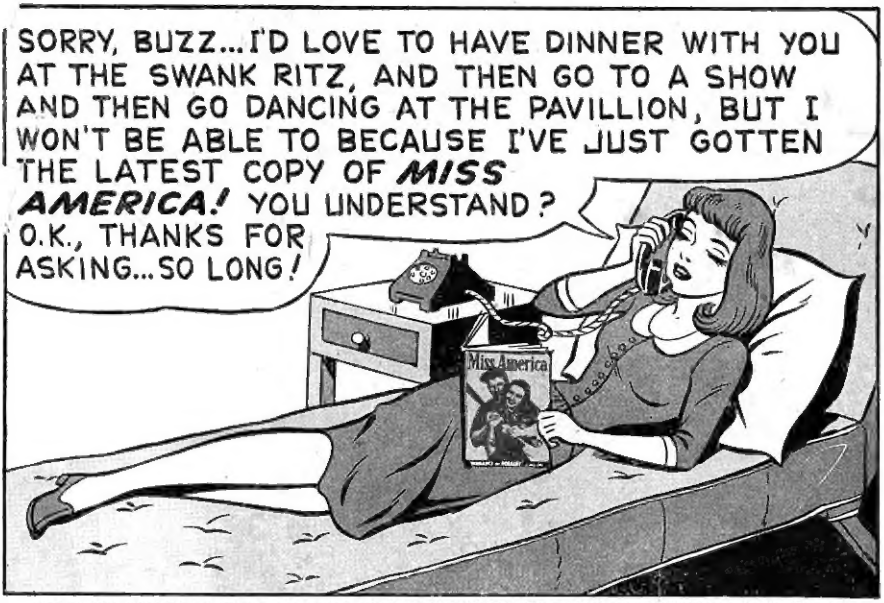
SORRY, BUZZ...I'D LOVE TO HAVE DINNER WITH YOU AT THE SWANK RITZ, AND THEN GO TO A SHOW AND THEN GO DANCING AT THE PAVILLION, BUT I WON'T BE ABLE TO BECAUSE I'VE JUST GOTTEN THE LATEST COPY OF MISS AMERICA! YOU UNDERSTAND? O.K., THANKS FOR ASKING...SO LONG!
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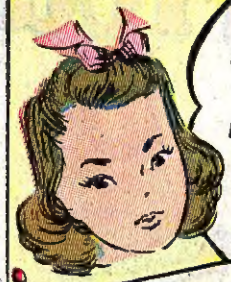

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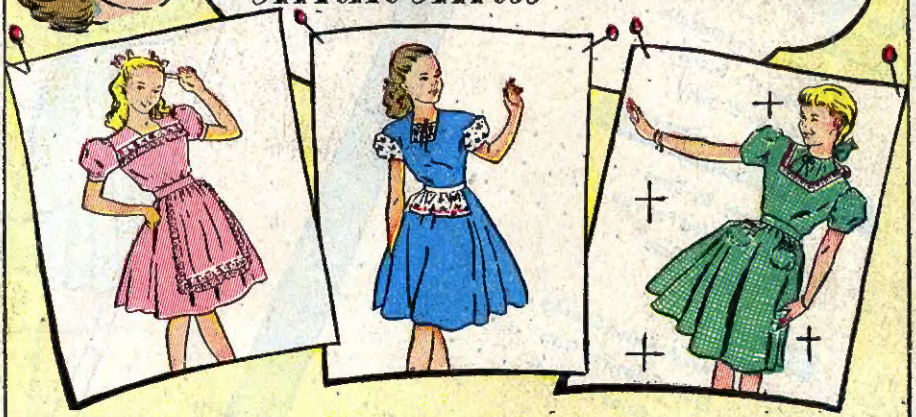

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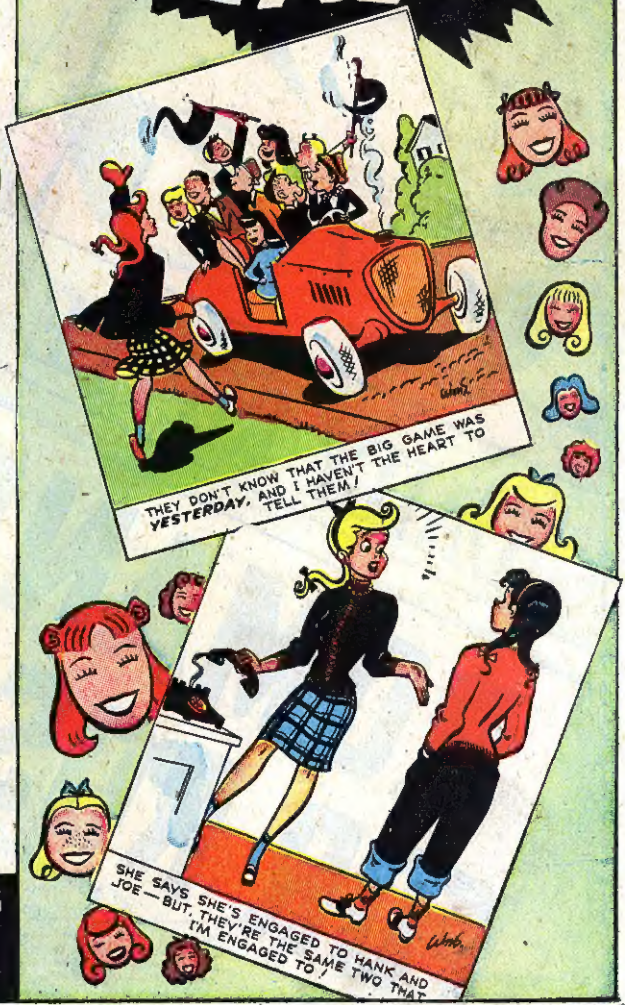
THEY DON'T KNOW THAT THE BIG GAME WAS YESTERDAY, AND I HAVEN'T THE HEART TO TELL THEM!
SHE SAYS SHE'S ENGAGED TO HANK AND JOE—BUT, THEY'RE THE SAME TWO THAT I'M ENGAGED TO!

DAILY RIPPLE
FINAL
ROMANCE FOR ROSALIE
BY MAXINE SHORE

ROSALIE Tucker hung around the fountain outside journalism class, talking and laughing with Ridge, Sue and Hank. Warm anticipation washed over her. Only a few minutes left to wait. She stole a glance through the open door, and froze at the sight of the tableau within.

Gayle Jackson was leaning over Mr. Norton's desk. Her large blue eyes were practically soaking in the handsome young journalism teacher. It was sickening, thought Rosalie, watching Gayle's lashes flutter as she smiled and admired.

Rosalie smiled wryly, as she gestured toward the scene. "She'll polish that apple down to the core one of these days," she said. "What does she think that will get her?"

"Better grades, maybe," said Ridge promptly. "Or maybe she's

campaigning for a spot on next year's *Ripple* staff."

"But," said Rosalie, "I don't think Mr. Norton's at all susceptible to that sort of thing, do you?"

The bell clanged.

The others popped through the door, but Rosalie stooped and took a long drink at the fountain. She was the last one in.

She was acutely aware of Mr. Norton watching her, knew the expression of his dark blue eyes and slightly ironic mouth without even looking.

"The late Miss Tucker," he said.

The class tittered. With a lopsided smile, Rosalie slid into her seat, way down.

He had spoken rudely to her, before everyone. Ridge muttered beneath his breath, "Want I should challenge the brute to a duel?" Rosalie grinned wanly, shook her head. During the rest of the period, she luxuriated in a daydream in which Baird Ingersoll Norton bent before her in abject pleading, while she, in her turn, averted her lovely face.

Strangely, none of this ever interfered much with her work. Today she dashed off her extemporaneous feature easily as ever, even faster than Ridge, who was also agile with words. English was her best subject, always had been, and now journalism was her passion. Particularly since the advent of Baird Ingersoll Norton.

While the rest were still laboring, Rosalie sat and looked at Mr. Norton at his desk. He was marking papers. How mature he looked, but still terribly well-preserved considering he must be at least twenty-five. Ridge, by comparison, looked so—so unfinished, sort of. Strange to think how thrilled she used to be by his immature attentions.

Mr. Norton glanced up, saw her idle. "Finished already, Miss Tucker?"

"Yes, Mr. Norton."

That was all, except that he smiled sort of approvingly, a white flashing Spanish sort of smile that went right through her.

After class, Mr. Norton asked her to wait.

Mr. Norton sighed. "Miss Tucker. The material you turn in shows a great deal of promise, but your classroom attitude leaves much to be desired."

Rosalie couldn't speak.

"Miss Tucker, apparently I do not appeal to you as an instructor. I regret that because, you see, I like you."

She closed her soft hazel eyes, drew a tremulous breath. He'd declared himself! She'd never forget this magic moment, never!

"That's why your inattention in class disturbs me. I dislike to see you waste your opportunities for improving your talent."

Still Rosalie couldn't answer.

"Perhaps," he suggested hesitantly, "you think you're—in love." His voice was half humorous, half serious.

She gulped. He'd reached right into her heart, discovered her sacred secret.

"Well," she said weakly.

"Spring." He nodded. "I understand perfectly. But don't take it too seriously. At your age, what you feel for Ridge Brown can't be anything but puppy love, you know."

Ridge Brown! Puppy love!

She said, choking, "Ridge and I are just good friends." Chin trembling childishly, she turned toward the door.

"Miss Tucker—Rosalie—wait!"

Rushing out blindly, she collided with someone in the hall. Just Miss Stewart, the pretty new Typing teacher.

"Why, my dear, what's the matter?" asked Miss Stewart in concern.

Driven by agony, Rosalie didn't stop. Fortunately the halls were practically emptied now. Wrenching open her locker, she stuck her head in against her coat and let the tears come.

When it was over, she dabbed powder wearily on her tilted nose, and went slowly down to the lunchroom. Ridge, Sue and Hank were pouring over fresh copies of the *Weekly Ripple*, the Laird Lake High paper.

"Look," said Ridge excitedly, "they're announcing next year's *Ripple* staff in Assembly Friday, it says here. Mr. Norton's advising. Wonder whom they'll pick from our class?"

"Who cares?" said Rosalie bitterly. "Mr. Norton's a drip."

. . . But, walking home from school that afternoon, Rosalie kept turning the scene after class over and over in her mind.

Stopping, she surveyed herself critically in a store mirror. Bobby socks, loose sweater, blazer and beanie. Well, she *did* look sort of young—and like a carbon copy of practically every other girl at Laird Lake High.

She straightened her slender shoulders, lifted her chin. At least her pretended indifference had made Mr. Norton aware of her as a person. Now he must be made to realize that, though she was indeed scarcely more than a child in years, in heart and mind she was a woman. Only a woman could suffer as she had!

. . . "Sufferin' saxophones!" Ridge grabbed her arm the next morning. "What gives?" He clapped his hand to his head. "Is that a *hat*?"

Rosalie smiled at him forgivingly. He was so young. Ridge was—so—so callow. So unaware of life's deeper experiences, the struggle, the suffering!

Carefully, Rosalie removed her mother's best hat and placed it on the top shelf of her locker where she ordinarily flung her beanie. Ridge

whistled at her skinned-up hair, peered wonderingly at the high heels. Rosalie preserved a superior silence.

Before journalism, she put on the finishing touches. Eye shadow, mascara, heavy foundation base, and vivid lipstick added ten desperately needed years to her life. Baird couldn't fail to see!

But, except for one brief startled look, Baird Norton paid her absolutely no attention today. He seemed to have other things on his mind, often left his sentences dangling strangely, stared out of the window. Rosalie sat there, looking sad and sophisticated, suffering intensely from his neglect. If only he'd just look up and smile even once!

The bell clanged. The room emptied, except for a tragic Rosalie and an impatient Ridge. She dawdled as long as she could, getting her things together, but Mr. Norton didn't look up from his desk.

"What gives?" demanded Ridge. "Got sleeping sickness?"

Ridge was so juvenile, so crude.

At the lockers, she turned back. "My goodness —I must have left my handkerchief in journalism! My mother's best chiffon one."

"I'll steam back," said Ridge obligingly.

She caught his sleeve. "You will not! I'll get it myself. You—you might get it dirty."

She left a bewildered Ridge staring questioningly at his hands.

The door of 202 was still open, thank goodness. Mr. Norton hadn't yet gone down to the Teachers' Lunchroom.

But—he wasn't alone. Rosalie was over the threshold before she saw that Miss Stewart, the Typing teacher, was in there talking to Mr. Norton. No, not exactly talking. Rosalie's mouth went dry. For Miss Stewart's hands were in Mr. Norton's. They were standing close together by the window, but not looking out. Gazing into each other's eyes.

"Excuse me," Rosalie heard her own voice say stiffly. "I—I guess I left my handkerchief in here."

Their hands fell apart. "Ah—Miss Tucker—" stammered Mr. Norton.

In the uncomfortable silence, Rosalie stumbled to her seat on her painful high heels, the earrings jabbing her ears, her eyes too bitter for tears. Retrieving her handkerchief, she started back.

"Oh, Miss Tucker," said Mr. Norton, with forced cordiality, "so glad you came back. I'm going to let you in on a little secret."

So she'd have to congratulate them, would she? Have to wish them happiness?

"This is strictly confidential, of course, for a few days."

"I won't tell anyone," said Rosalie coldly.

"Well, you'll be interested to know that your friend, Ridge Brown, has been selected to serve as Editor of the *Weekly Ripple*."

Rosalie stared. Then the frozen smile on her face thawed into a real one. She felt warm all over. Ridge — Editor! He'd be somebody — a school leader!

"That's not all—*you're* to be News Editor," went on Mr. Norton.

News Editor—next in importance to Ridge! Ridge and she, on the *Ripple* staff, together. All next year, the wonderful excitement of it! Rosalie stood there, teetering excitedly on her high heels. In spite of her high hair-do and sophisticated dress, she looked like a delighted child.

"Jeepers, thanks! Thanks for telling me, Mr. Norton!"

Their understanding laughter echoed after her as she hurried to find Ridge. Faithful Ridge, lounging by her locker, waiting.

She thumped him crazily on the shoulder, remembered not to tell him just in time, dove past him into her locker, slapped on the flower hat, all askew.

"Hey!" said Ridge. "Where are you going? Aren't you coming down to lunch?"

Rosalie put on her coat. "Can't. Got to get home. Just time to change these clothes and get back."

"You mean," said Ridge, relieved, "the masquerade is over? Whew! I don't get it, but I'm sure glad it's over."

"Me, too," said Rosalie quietly. Then, "See you in Latin, maestro!"

Running down the hall, she felt so free, so relieved. All the chaos was gone out of her. She didn't have to pretend any more. She could be herself, act her own dear funny age. Mr. Norton? Well, Mr. Norton was okay, a right guy but nothing more.

All her future seemed to stretch ahead like the streaming path of sunlight on the walk leading home.

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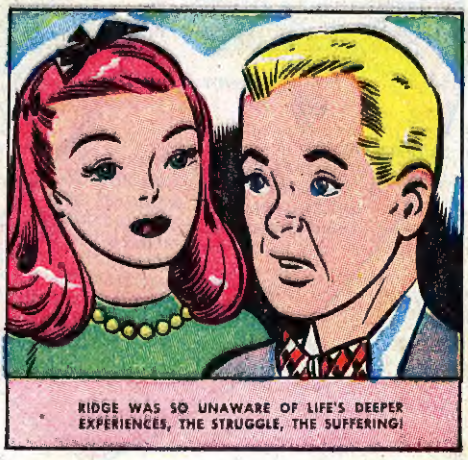

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DEAR JEAN:
I AM 16 YEARS OLD AND HAVE BEEN GOING STEADY WITH A BOY FOR THE PAST FOUR MONTHS. HIS BIRTHDAY IS NEARING AND I WONDER WHETHER IT WOULD BE PROPER TO GIVE HIM A GIFT? IF YOU THINK SO, WOULD YOU ALSO SUGGEST SOMETHING?

MARY ANN

DEAR MARY ANN:
BY ALL MEANS. AFTER ALL, A GIFT IS JUST ANOTHER WAY OF SAYING "THANKS FOR BEING SUCH A SWELL FRIEND." IT DOESN'T BIND YOU TO HIM, OR "GIVE YOU AWAY" IN ANY SENSE OF THE WORDS. A WALLET, A PEN AND PENCIL SET, AN INTERESTING BELT —ALL THESE MAKE GREAT PRESENTS. SO GO RIGHT AHEAD, MARY ANN!

LOVE,
JEAN

DEAR JEAN:
WHEN I BABY-SIT ON SATURDAY NIGHTS I USUALLY INVITE IN MY GIRL FRIEND AND TWO BOYS. THE BOYS DON'T CARE FOR DANCING OR CARDS, AND WE CERTAINLY CAN'T NECK. WHAT DO YOU SUGGEST?

PHYLLIS

DEAR PHYLLIS:
MAY I ASK A QUESTION? WHAT ARE THE BOYS' INTERESTS? THERE'S LOTS OF ROOM FOR GOOD CONVERSATION CENTERING AROUND AVIATION OR THE LATEST FOOTBALL SCORES OR CAREER PROBLEMS. THEN, CHARADES ARE ALWAYS FUN, AND IF YOU LIKE READING ALOUD, YOU MIGHT TRY ACTING OUT PLAYS TOGETHER. YOU'LL FIND THAT ACTIVITIES OF THIS SORT WILL NOT ONLY SOLVE THE "GOOD COMPANY" PROBLEM, BUT WILL ALSO DRAW YOU CLOSER TOGETHER.

LOVE,
JEAN

DEAR JEAN:
A NEIGHBOR OF MINE, WHO VISITS MY HOME QUITE FREQUENTLY AND IS VERY FRIENDLY, HAS A BAD REPUTATION IN TOWN. HOW CAN I AVOID HER WITHOUT INSULTING HER?

NANCY

DEAR NANCY:
I WOULDN'T GO OUT OF MY WAY TO BE FRIENDLY TO THE GIRL. BUT, ON THE OTHER HAND, IT WOULD BE COMPLETELY DISCOURTEOUS TO SNUB HER. THE IMPORTANT PROBLEM SO FAR AS YOU ARE CONCERNED IS TO KEEP YOURSELF, IN ALL RESPECTS, A LADY WHICH MEANS COURTESY, DECENCY, KINDNESS—TO EVERYONE

LOVE,
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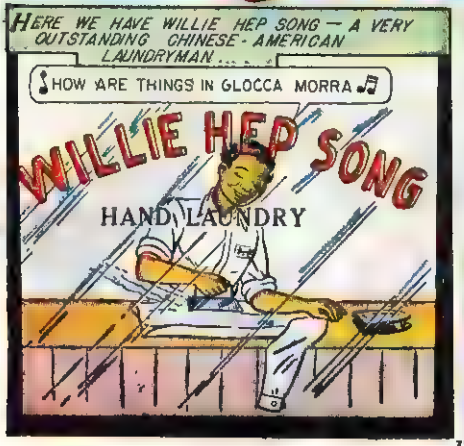
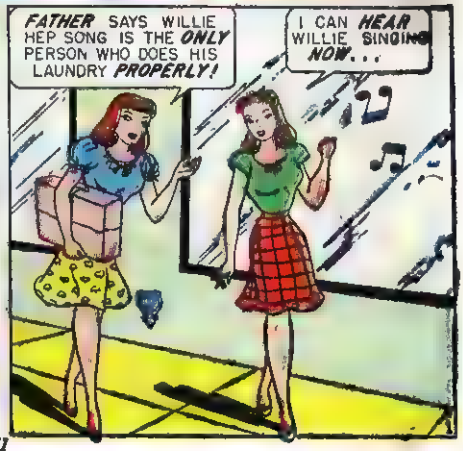
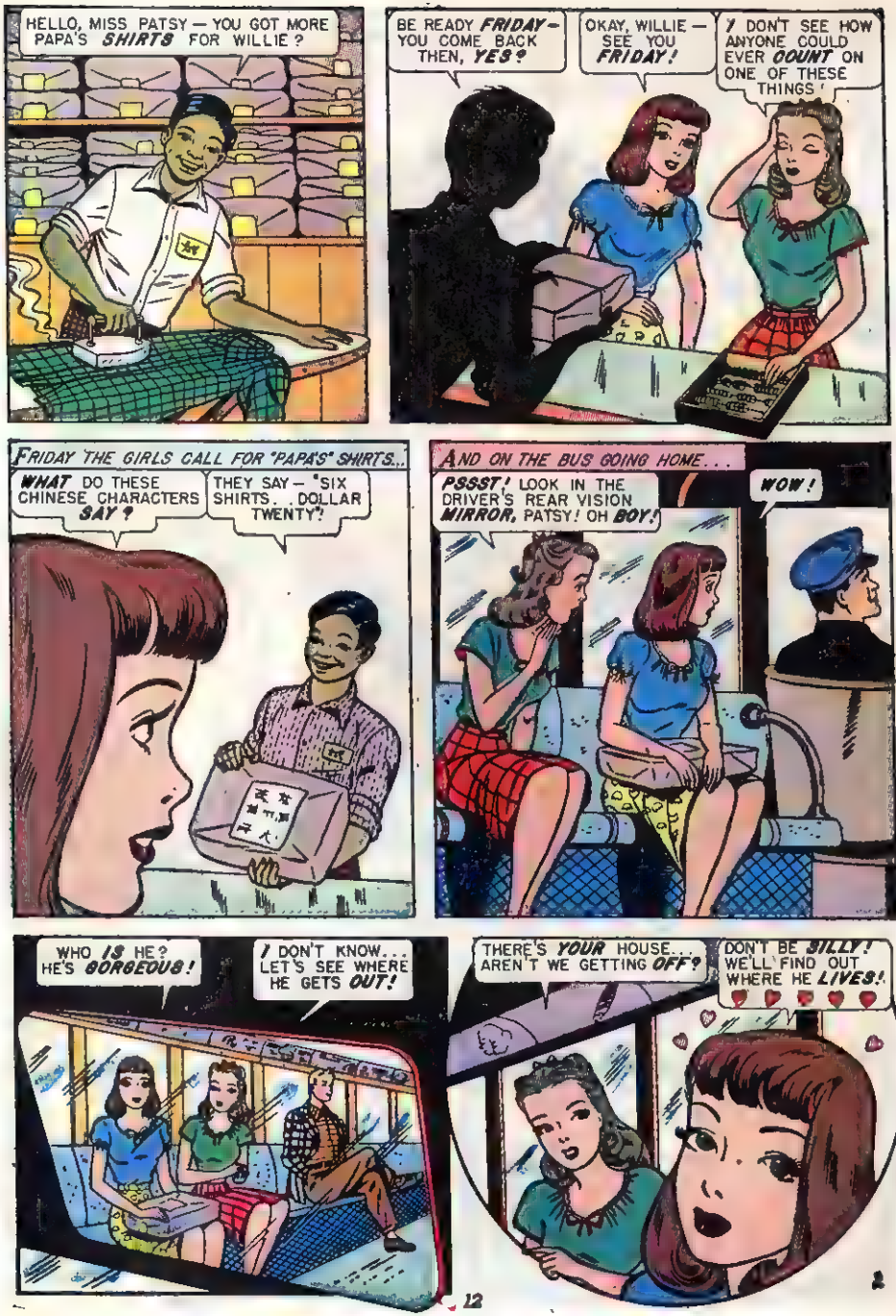
By Jean Goodman

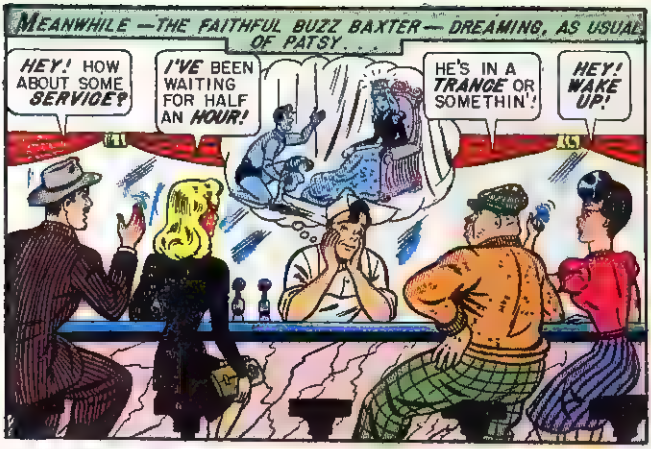
PATSY WALKER


HERE WE HAVE WILLIE HEP SONG — A VERY OUTSTANDING CHINESE-AMERICAN LAUNDRYMAN . . .
♪HOW ARE THINGS IN GLOCCA MORRA♫
WILLIE HEP SONG
HAND LAUNDRY

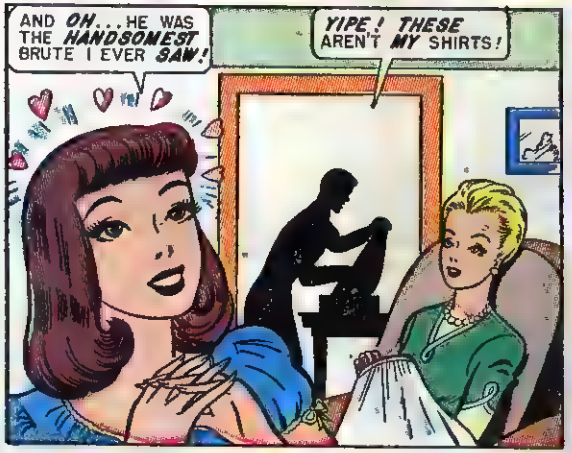



HELLO, MISS PATSY — YOU GOT MORE PAPA'S SHIRTS FOR WILLIE?
BE READY FRIDAY — YOU COME BACK THEN, YES?
OKAY, WILLIE — SEE YOU FRIDAY!
I DON'T SEE HOW ANYONE COULD EVER COUNT ON ONE OF THESE THINGS!
FRIDAY THE GIRLS CALL FOR "PAPA'S" SHIRTS...
WHAT DO THESE CHINESE CHARACTERS SAY?
THEY SAY — "SIX SHIRTS. . DOLLAR TWENTY"!
AND ON THE BUS GOING HOME...
PSSST! LOOK IN THE DRIVER'S REAR VISION MIRROR, PATSY! OH BOY!
WOW!
WHO IS HE? HE'S GORGEOUS!
I DON'T KNOW... LET'S SEE WHERE HE GETS OUT!
THERE'S YOUR HOUSE... AREN'T WE GETTING OFF?
DON'T BE SILLY! WE'LL FIND OUT WHERE HE LIVES!

HE'S GOING TO GET OFF...
WE'LL FOLLOW BUT PRETEND WE AREN'T!
WATCH YOUR STEP WHEN GETTING OFF
IS ME EVER BEAUTIFUL... BUT BEAUTIFUL!
MY FEET HURT!
HE'S GOING INTO THAT HOUSE — AT LAST WE KNOW WHERE HE LIVES!
MY FEET HURT!
I CAN SEE HIM NOW!
MY FEET HURT...
OH! GOSH! HE'S WATCHING US! I'M SO EMBARRASSED!
I'VE SIMPLY GOT TO MEET HIM.. HE'S MY IDEAL!
YOU'VE GOT A BOY FRIEND — BUZZ BAXTER, REMEMBER?
WALKING ON CLOUDS
HER FEET HURT

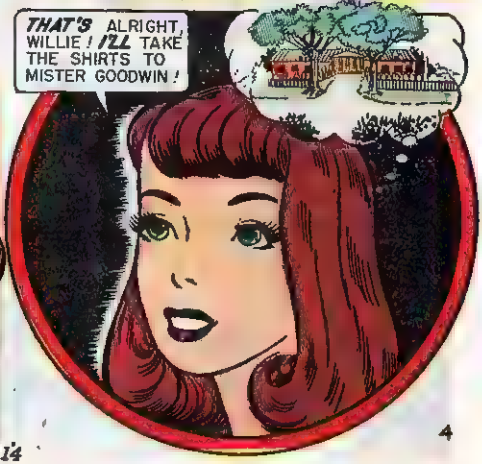

MEANWHILE — THE FAITHFUL BUZZ BAXTER — DREAMING, AS USUAL OF PATSY...
HEY! HOW ABOUT SOME SERVICE?
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR HALF AN HOUR!
HE'S IN A TRANCE OR SOMETHIN'!
HEY! WAKE UP!

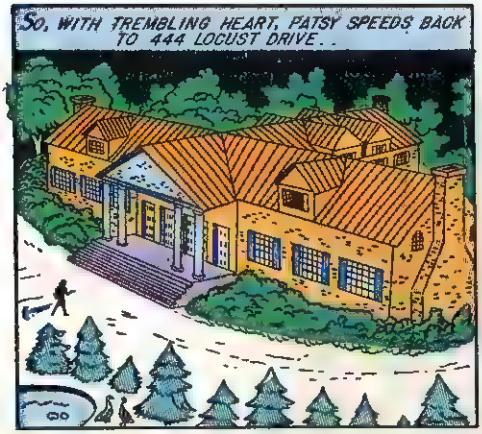
WHILE AT PATSY'S HOUSE...
GOT MY SHIRTS, PATSY!
YES, DAD, I'VE GOT 'EM!
S'LONG, PATSY! SEE YA LATER...
'BYE, NANCY!


AND OH... HE WAS THE HANDSOMEST BRUTE I EVER SAW!
YIPE! THESE AREN'T MY SHIRTS!

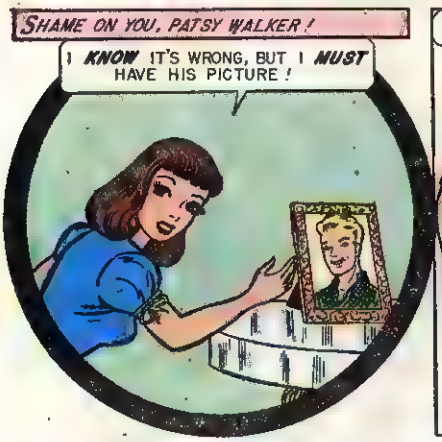
I WOULDN'T BE FOUND DEAD IN THIS — TAKE 'EM BACK IMMEDIATELY, PATSY!

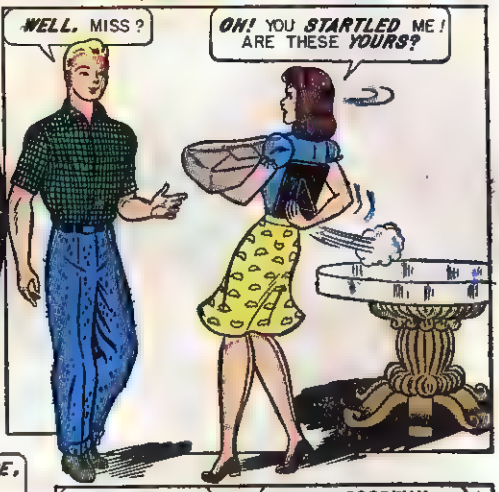
SEE?
I'M SO SORRY SHIRTS BELONG TO MASTER GOODWIN, 444 LOCUST DRIVE!

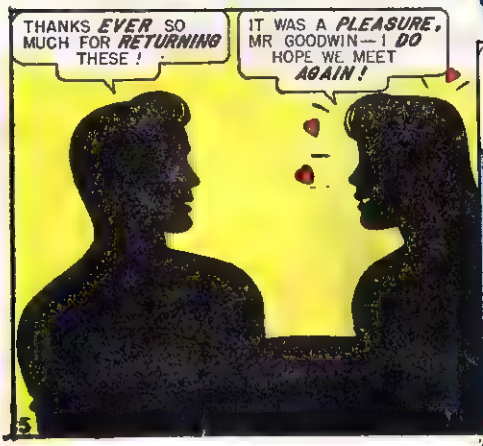

THAT'S ALRIGHT, WILLIE! I'LL TAKE THE SHIRTS TO MISTER GOODWIN!

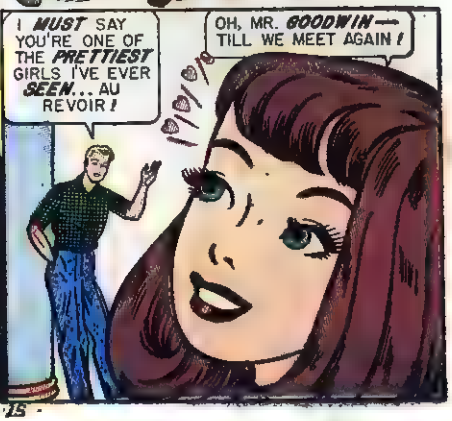

So, WITH TREMBLING HEART, PATSY SPEEDS BACK TO 444 LOCUST DRIVE..

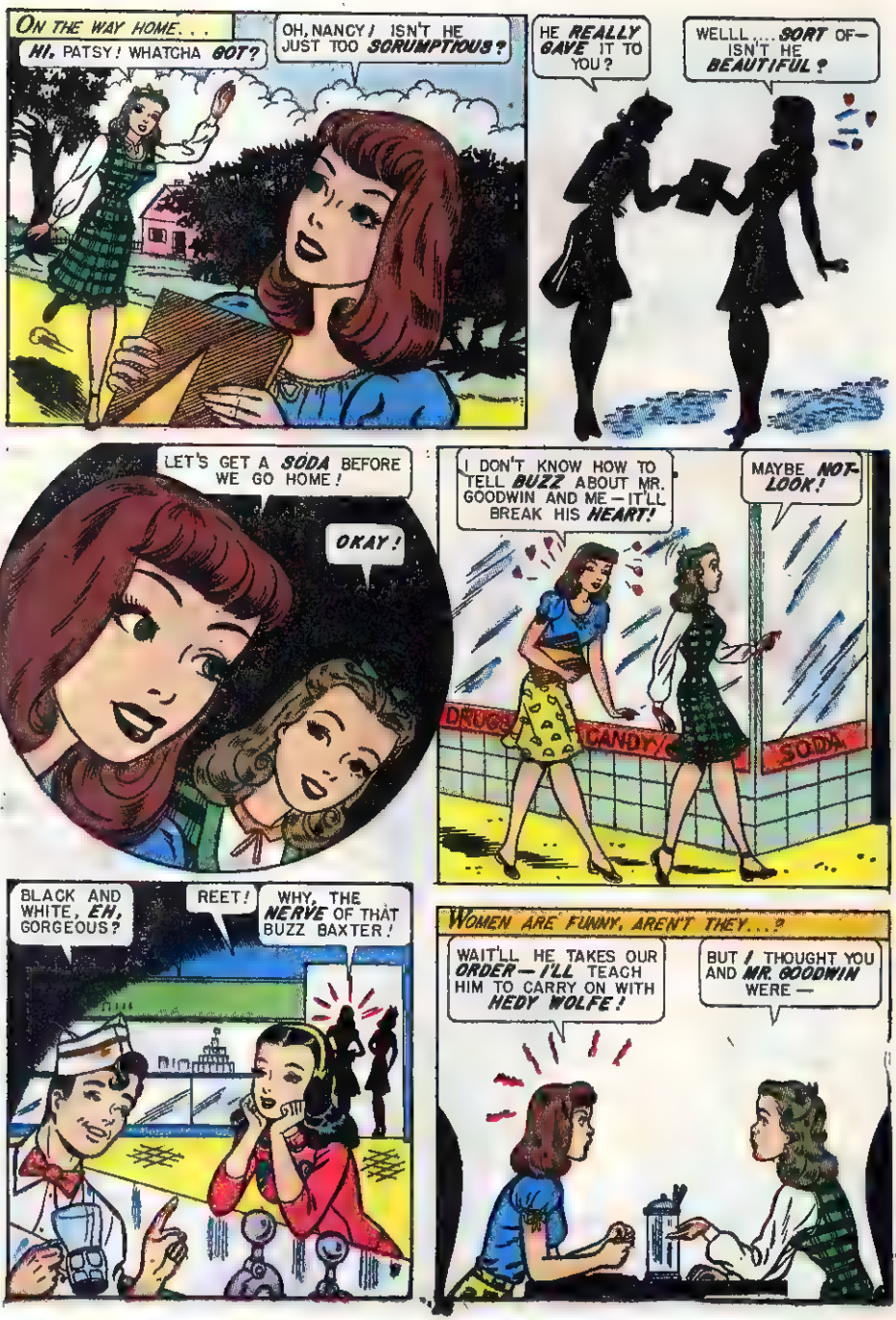
I--I HAVE A PACKAGE FOR MASTER GOODWIN...
WON'T YOU COME IN WHILE I LOOK FOR HIM ?


SHAME ON YOU, PATSY WALKER !
I KNOW IT'S WRONG, BUT I MUST HAVE HIS PICTURE !


WELL, MISS ?
OH! YOU STARTLED ME ! ARE THESE YOURS?

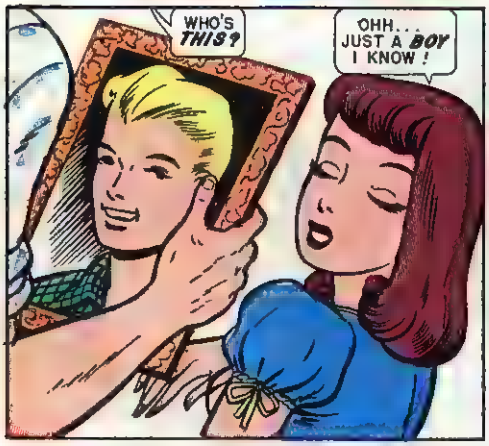

THANKS EVER SO MUCH FOR RETURNING THESE !
IT WAS A PLEASURE, MR GOODWIN—I DO HOPE WE MEET AGAIN !


I MUST SAY YOU'RE ONE OF THE PRETTIEST GIRLS I'VE EVER SEEN... AU REVOIR !
OH, MR. GOODWIN— TILL WE MEET AGAIN !


ON THE WAY HOME...
HI, PATSY! WHATCHA GOT?
OH, NANCY! ISN'T HE JUST TOO SCRUMPTIOUS?
HE REALLY GAVE IT TO YOU?
WELLL....SORT OF— ISN'T HE BEAUTIFUL?
LET'S GET A SODA BEFORE WE GO HOME!
OKAY!
I DON'T KNOW HOW TO TELL BUZZ ABOUT MR. GOODWIN AND ME—IT'LL BREAK HIS HEART!
MAYBE NOT- LOOK!
DRUGS
CANDY
SODA
BLACK AND WHITE, EH, GORGEOUS?
REET!
WHY, THE NERVE OF THAT BUZZ BAXTER!
WOMEN ARE FUNNY, AREN'T THEY...?
WAIT'LL HE TAKES OUR ORDER—I'LL TEACH HIM TO CARRY ON WITH HEDY WOLFE!
BUT I THOUGHT YOU AND MR. GOODWIN WERE —

CAN PATSY BE GETTING JEALOUS ?
BZZZZZ... BZZZZZ...
LOOK AT THAT ! MR. BAXTER ! SERVICE PLEASE !

I THOUGHT YOU TOLD ME YOU WERE THROUGH WITH HEDY WOLFE !
I WAS - ER - JUST TAKING HER ORDER, HONEST !
PATSY DOESN'T CARE — LOOK, MR. SMARTY !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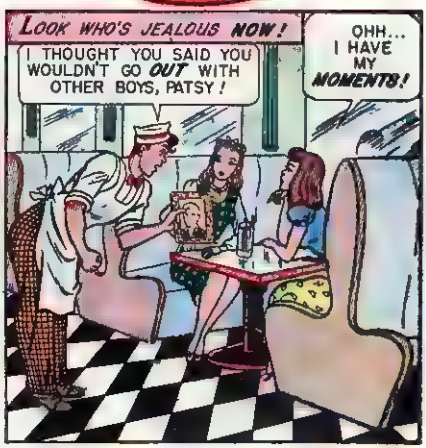
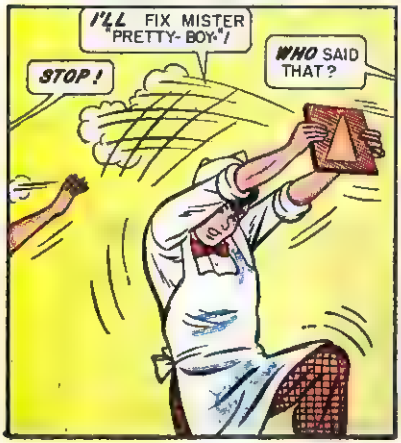
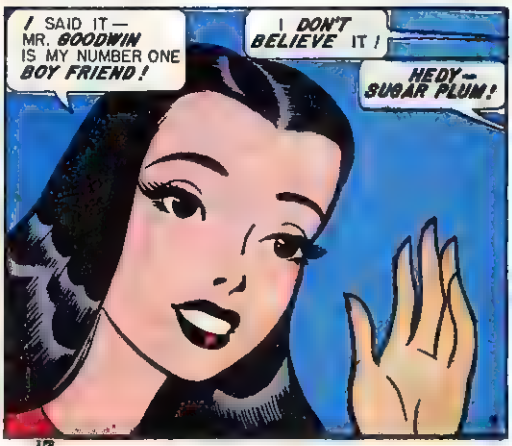
OHH... JUST A BOY I KNOW !


LOOK WHO'S JEALOUS NOW !
I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU WOULDN'T GO OUT WITH OTHER BOYS, PATSY !
OHH... I HAVE MY MOMENTS !


I'LL FIX MISTER "PRETTY-BOY" !
STOP !
WHO SAID THAT ?


I SAID IT — MR. GOODWIN IS MY NUMBER ONE BOY FRIEND !
I DON'T BELIEVE IT !
HEDY — SUGAR PLUM !

DUMPLING!
CUPCAKE!
I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN TWO WHOLE HOURS...
TWO WHOLE HOURS AND SIX WHOLE MINUTES, HONEYCHILE!
I THOUGHT WHEN I SAW YOU HAD HIS PICTURE THAT —
HA HA! JUST A LITTLE JOKE, BUZZ!
EXCUSE ME WHILE I GIVE HEDY THIS PICTURE!
KA-RASH!
OH, WELL... EVEN A PERFECT LADY HAS TO LET OFF A LITTLE STEAM NOW AND THEN, DOESN'T SHE?
MOVIES TONIGHT, BUZZ DEAR?
MOVIES TONIGHT, PATSY!
THE END

HELLO, GIRLS!

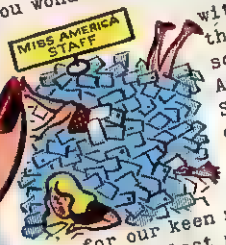
MEMORANDUM

FROM: THE EDITOR

TO: ALL OUR READERS

HELLO, GIRLS!

Heavens! You'll have to give us until next issue to catch our breath! Never, positively NEVER, have we been deluged with as many letters as did pour into this office after last month's issue of Miss America hit the newsstands! You wonderful, wonderful girls all seemed so very happy to have your favorite magazine printed with EVERY page in full, glorious color that we wonder why we didn't think of it sooner!

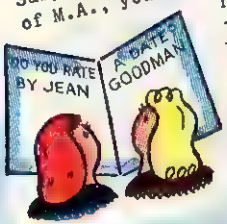


And we never dreamed that so many of you were Sewing Sallies! "Stitchin' Time" was so enthusiastically received by yo'all, that it will be a regular monthly feature in M.A. from now on!

As for our keen new contest which was announced last month in M.A., it seems as though just about every teen queen in the country has entered it! By next month we'll tell you how the contest is progressing and what clever new ideas and comments you "reet readers" have been merrily making!

PREVIEW FOR NEXT MONTH:

Surprise! Surprise! In the very next issue of M.A., your own beloved Jean Goodman has a right-from-the-heart message for you Miss Americans...it's called "Do You Rate A Date?" and don't you DARE to miss it! Well, gals, it's time to scamper now and get back to all your letters so, until next month, with loads of love and luck,



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Beauty by-lines...

SCHOOL

September — means back to school!
So pack up that dreamy two-piece
bathing suit, the gay dirndls and cottons,
the luscious toasty tan for another year!
It's back to the books —
and also the looks dept. Yep, while you're
making out your schedule of clothes
and classes, give a thought or two to the gal
who's going to appear in both—you!
Make yourself an appearance schedule
to follow throughout the school days,
so you can maintain that fresh glowing look,
which the Great Outdoors and
the fun of your vacation gave you.
Of course, fundamentally
you'll start out with the downright essential
keys to beauty: a balanced diet,
including plenty of liquids, fresh fruit and
vegetables (and your complexion
will thank you to shun pretzels, chocolates
and malts, too) a daily rub-a-tubbin',
and a good night's sleep.
With these three, you're off to a
good start—and you can rate A in
Appearance in no time!

BACK TO SCHOOL
1—MORNING IS CLEANUP TIME. SCRUB THAT SLEEPY LOOK OFF YOUR FACE, WITH MILD SOAP AND WATER, FOLLOWED BY THOROUGH RINSING. PIN YOUR HAIR BACK FOR TIME BEING, AND POWDER YOUR FACE, WITH REVERSE SIDE OF YOUR PUFF REMOVE ALL EXCESS, EXCEPT DELICATE FILM ON YOUR LIPS . . .
2 . . . FOR AS SOON AS YOU'RE IN YOUR SWEATER AND SKIRT, WIELD THE LIPSTICK OVER THOSE LIGHTLY POWDERED RUBY REDS. (FILM WILL HOLD LIPSTICK ALL DAY). ONE OF THE NEW ROSY, CORAL SHADES, YOUNG-AND-GAY IN TONE, IS MOST APPEALING FOR THAT CASUAL SCHOOLTIME LOOK.
3—AT NIGHT, REMOVE "YOUR FACE" WITH CLEANSING CREAM AND SOAP AND WATER. OILY SKINS MAY FINISH THE JOB WITH A PATTING OF MILD ASTRINGENT, AND SO TO BED, WITH MEDICATED LOTION ON ANY "SPOTS," HANDCREAM ON YOUR "LILY WHITES."
4—DAYS OFF—WEEKENDS, THAT IS— WARRANT A FEW ELABORATIONS. YOU'LL WANT A GOOD MANICURE—TO PUSH THAT CUTICLE BACK, AND REMEMBER, DON'T, DON'T, DON'T CUT IT UNLESS YOU WANT HORNY RIMS AROUND YOUR NAILS. A PEDICURE, LOTIONING CALLUSSED SPOTS ON YOUR FEET, IS IN ORDER TOO.
5—FOR DATETIME—IT'S STILL THE "NATURAL LOOK"! LIPSTICK A SHADE DARKER PERHAPS, AND A SMIDGIN OF VASELINE OVER PALE EYEBROWS TO DARKEN THEM AND EMPHASIZE THE ARCH A BIT. A DAB OF PERFUME UNDER EARLOBES, AT YOUR WRISTS AND ELBOWS—AND YOU'RE OFF FOR FUN!

Hollywood's Younger Set

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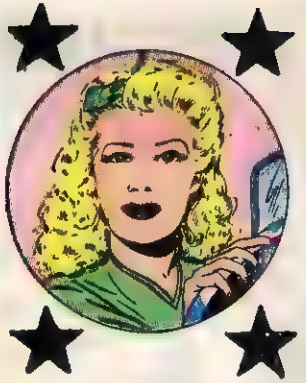

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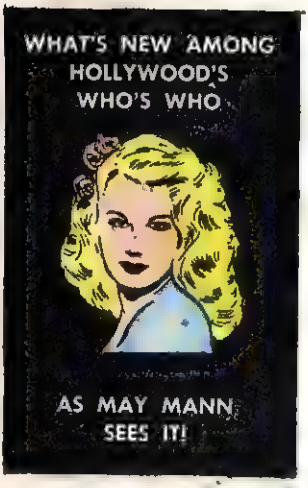

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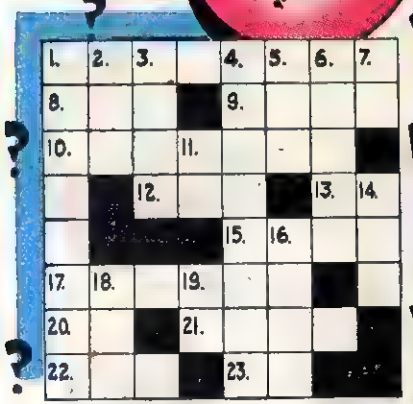

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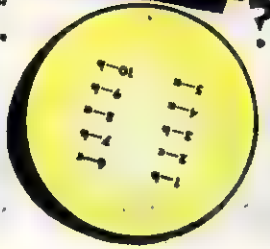

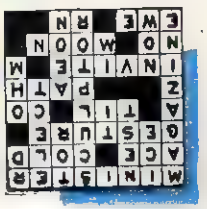

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3. Datum
4. Amass
5. Harem

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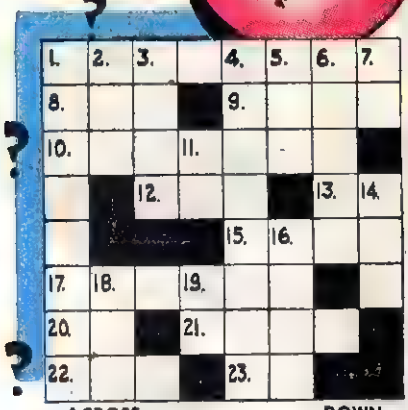

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Barbara nodded sympathetically. "We've just got to figure out some way. Has Don gone on any of these trips yet?"

"No, I think tomorrow night will be the first time."

"I've got it!" Barbara snapped her fingers. "Tomorrow we've got to find some evidence on Slow Joe and have him arrested *before* sailing time."

For the best part of an hour, Barbara and Dick discussed various plans; then Barbara suddenly recalled that her mother was waiting up for her. "I'll see you first thing in the morning," she promised, "and we'll think of something!"

. . . Dick was lolling impatiently on the beach the next morning, waiting for Barbara. Now that she had discovered his problem, he was eager to discuss it with her. When Barbara finally trotted up, he noticed that her eyes were shining.

"Dick," she exclaimed, "I have it all thought out! The only way we can get evidence on Slow Joe is to search his boat. Maybe we can find a cache of jewels or contraband of some kind. Then," she gestured emphatically, "he's out of business!"

"But it's dangerous," Dick objected. "If Slow Joe were to catch us . . ."

Barbara lifted an eyebrow. "Of course, if you're afraid," she shrugged. "I merely thought you wanted to help your brother."

"I was thinking of *you*." Dick flushed. "It's no place for a girl. I'll have to try it alone."

"If you do," Barbara declared indignantly, "I'll call in the police at once!"

Dick argued, but Barbara couldn't be convinced. Finally he had to give in. "But if I take you along," he said resignedly, "you'll have to do just as I say."

"Oh, sure," Barbara agreed gaily. This was adventure! "What time would be best?"

After some debate, they decided that since the launch was rented to fishermen during the day, the best time to search the boat would be just at nightfall. Presumably, no one would be on board till ten-thirty or so.

At half-past nine that evening, the two adventurers met in a shadowy spot near the dock. Dick was brandishing a flashlight, and a gun!

"I found it in Don's bureau," he explained. "Now I'm *sure* Don's mixed up with that gang!"

With her heart beating hard, Barbara trailed after Dick, along the dock, and up the short gangplank to the boat. Dick listened for a moment on deck, then opened a hatch and flashed his light into the room. "This is the place to search," he said. Barbara followed him through the hatch and down the short stairs.

They hunted feverishly, rummaging through boxes, drawers, and every possible hiding place. Precious minutes passed, and not the slightest bit of evidence had been turned up.

"I'm afraid it's no go," Dick sighed. Abruptly he froze into a listening attitude. There was a sound of footsteps on the deck!

Dick snapped off his flashlight. "Hide!" he whispered hoarsely. He dived behind a row of oil-barrels near the hatchway, pulling Barbara after him.

The hatch was pulled open and two men descended to the cabin. A light flicked on, and Barbara, peering from behind her barrel, saw a heavy, red-face man, obviously Slow Joe, and Dick's brother, Don.

"It'll take only a few minutes to get out to the Princess Marie," Slow Joe was saying. "Then you'll see how smoothly we operate. You won't be sorry you joined up with us, Don!"

"I don't expect to be," Don answered briefly.

The engine commenced a muffled chugging, and the launch began to move. Barbara and Dick crouched behind their concealing barrels, scarcely daring to breathe.

Minutes went by, slow, agonizing minutes. Barbara was trying desperately to figure out some plan of action, when Blueface stuck his head into the hatchway. "We're nearly there," he warned.

"Come up on deck, Don, and watch us pick up the loot from the liner," Slow Joe invited.

The two men shuffled up the steps and out onto the deck. Barbara turned to Dick and whispered, "What'll we do?"

"We'll just have to keep quiet and wait," he advised. "Maybe we'll get a chance later to do something."

In a few minutes, Slow Joe and Don returned to the cabin. "See, there was nothing to it," Slow Joe exulted. He held up a small sack. "There's probably fifty grand worth of hot rocks here—and the port authorities won't get a sniff at it."

"Pretty clever," Don admitted.

"Yessir," Slow Joe continued, "in five minutes, we'll be back at Sandy Point, safe and sound . . . and nobody the wiser!"

"Oh, no?" someone said from one corner of the cabin.

Slow Joe whipped around and found Dick pointing an automatic straight at him. He gulped.

"Say, what is this?" the startled smuggler managed to say.

But Dick did not answer, for he and Barbara were staring at his brother Don, who stood silently beside Slow Joe Turner. Don's face was flushed . . . was he embarrassed in the presence of his younger brother who had caught him in the criminal act of smuggling?

Then Dick turned his eyes toward the open hatchway. "Up on deck, both of you!"

Dick and Barbara followed the two men up the steps. A bewildered Blueface met them. Dick turned the gun threateningly toward the frozen figure.

"You . . . steer this launch back to the landing. And no funny stuff from the three of you! Just stay in front of me where I can see you." The trio obeyed, as Barbara held the flashlight on them.

. . . Minutes later, Blueface eased the launch alongside the dock at Sandy Point. With ropes looped around poles and the vessel held fast, Dick ordered his prisoners to step off onto the pier.

"What will we do now?" Barbara asked, her voice quivering.

"You run over to the harbor police headquarters," Dick replied, "and bring some officers. I—I'd rather *they* took over from here, so *I* won't have to turn them in myself to the authorities."

Barbara glanced from Dick to Don. She understood, and ran off.

With the flashlight in his left hand playing on Don's face, and the automatic held steady in his right, Dick spoke:

"I'm sorry I have to do this, Don. But . . ."

"Listen, Dick," the elder of the two brothers said, "if you'll only let me explain . . ."

"Don't bother!" Dick interrupted abruptly. "I found your gun, and nothing you can say . . ."

Then, before Dick was aware of it, Blueface made a lunge toward him and knocked him off his feet. The youth didn't even have a chance to use the gun. The suddenness of the attack caused him to drop his weapon.

Then Slow Joe held the gun, as he snarled: "Okay, kid, you asked for it! You, Don . . . tie the snooper up while Blueface gets some extra weights from the launch!"

What would Don do now? Dick stared at his brother, trying to express all the way he felt toward him, without actually saying it.

Then, Dick cocked his head sideways. Someone was running toward them along the pier! In the moonlight, Dick recognized the slender form of Barbara! Why did *she* have to come back at a time like this? Now *both* of them would be killed!

But, wait! What was that coming up several steps behind her? Burly figures in blue . . . POLICE! Good girl, Barbara! Before Slow Joe could use his gun, his arm was twisted behind him by Don, who had been standing beside him all this time. Dick noticed this . . . so Don was trying to lessen his role as partner to the smugglers!

"It won't do you any good now, Don," Dick said softly. "You're just as guilty as the other two. And to think, my own brother . . . !"

But at this point, one of the policemen spoke up. "Are you kidding, sonny? D'ya know who this guy is?" He pointed to Don, who was smiling now. "Don here is a special investigator for the Internal Revenue Department! For months he's been working on this missing jewel racket . . . now he's got it cracked! With *your* help, of course, and the aid of this young lass!"

Barbara was smiling now. Don said to her, "You and Dick did a fine job. You weren't scared, were you?"

"Uh, n-no," Barbara said weakly. "I—I guess it *was* fun. Don't *you* think so, Dick?"

But poor Dick wasn't talking. The revelation about his brother Don's connection with the Internal Revenue Department had been too much for him.

"My gosh!" Barbara exclaimed. "Dick fainted!"

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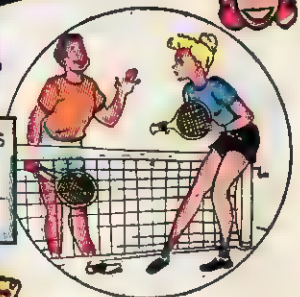

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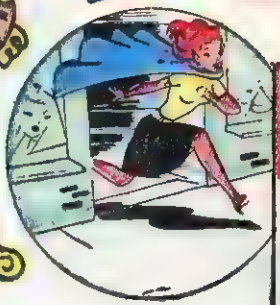

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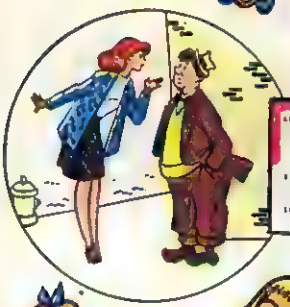

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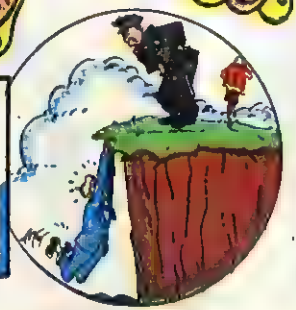

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MAYBE SOME GOOD-LOOKING MAN WILL FIND IT AND CALL YOU!
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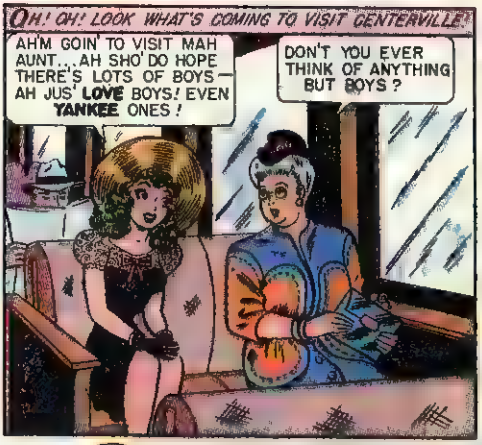
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AH'M GOIN' TO VISIT MAH AUNT...AH SHO' DO HOPE THERE'S LOTS OF BOYS—AH JUS' LOVE BOYS! EVEN YANKEE ONES!
DON'T YOU EVER THINK OF ANYTHING BUT BOYS?

I ASKED, LULUBELLE, DON'T YOU EVER THINK OF ANYTHING BUT BOYS?
HARDLY EVER... IF AH THINK OF ANYTHING ELSE, IT'S MORE BOYS!
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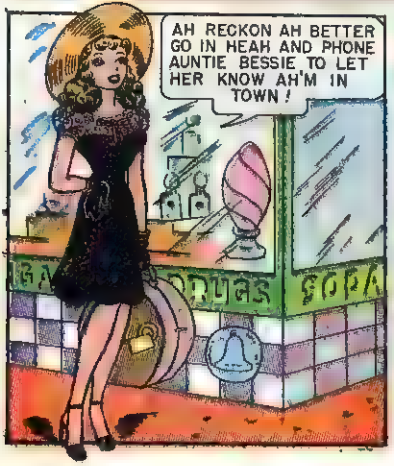
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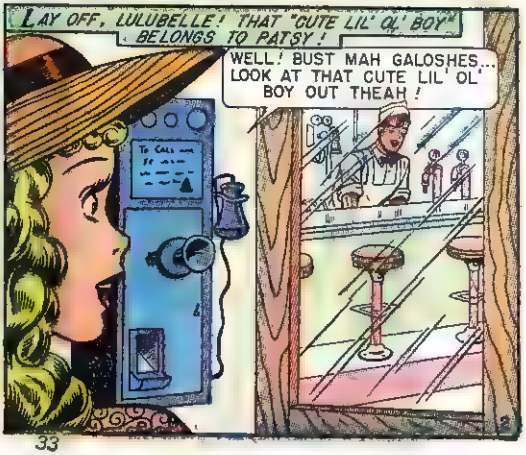
LAY OFF, LULUBELLE! THAT "CUTE LIL' OL' BOY" BELONGS TO PATSY!
WELL! BUST MAH GALOSHES... LOOK AT THAT CUTE LIL' OL' BOY OUT THEAH!

YIPES! LOOK WHAT AH FOUND!
?
PATSY! THEAH'S A LIL' OL' BOY AH'M GOIN' TO CALL UP RIGHT NOW!
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BRRRING!
MISS WALKER (GULP) SPEAKING!
WHO IS IT, PATSY? HIM?
THIS IS LULUBELLE LEE! AH WISH TO SPEAK TO MAH BOYFRIEND, MISTER PATSY WALKER!
?
?
WELL! I TOLD THAT SOUTHERN LULUBELLE OFF! THE NERVE OF HER!

IMAGINE! PATSY'S A GIRL! AH HOPE BUZZ ISN'T A LIL' OL' GAL!
WAIT FOR DIAL TONE
PATSY WALKER MAIN 5-60
BUZZ BAXTER PINE 3-3333
MEANWHILE, BACK AT PATSY'S HOUSE..
IF THAT LULU PERSON HAD YOUR NUMBER, SHE MUST HAVE FOUND YOUR MEMO BOOK!
AND SHE'LL CALL BUZZ! LET'S GO!
HURRY, PATSY! LULUBELLE IS DANGEROUS!
SWISH
SWISH
AH HOPE THIS BUZZ IS AS CUTE AS THAT LIL' OL' BOY OUT YONDAH!
BRRRING!
OH, THERE'S THE PHONE!
THIS IS LULUBELLE, BUZZ HONEY... YOU DON'T KNOW ME NOW, BUT YOU SHO' NUFF WILL SOON, SUGAH!
HUH?
OKAY, BUZZ, SUGARFOOT! AH'LL BE RIGHT OVAH! WHERE ARE YOU?
115 PINE STREET! IT'S A DRUGSTORE, LULUBELLE... ER, SUGAH!
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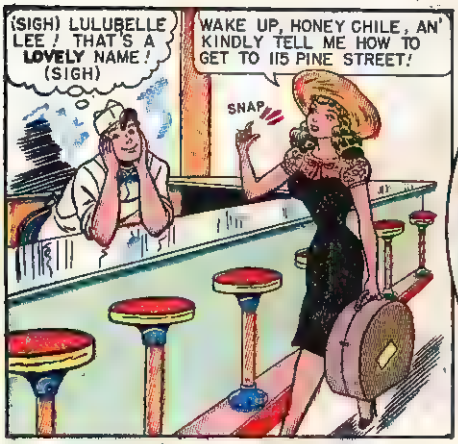
(SIGH) LULUBELLE LEE! THAT'S A LOVELY NAME! (SIGH)
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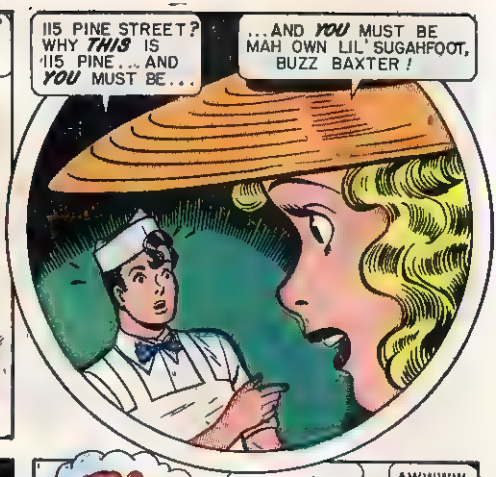
SNAP!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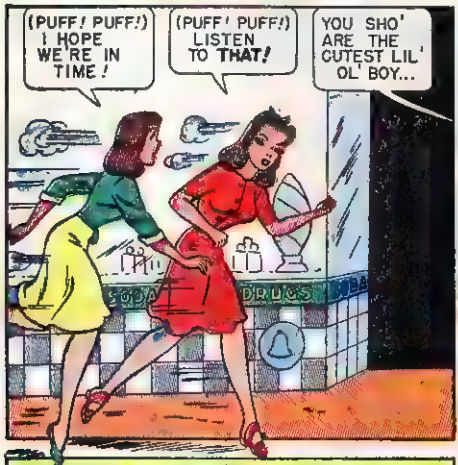
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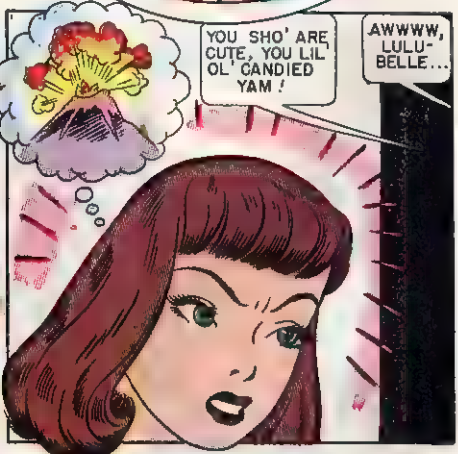
(PUFF! PUFF!) LISTEN TO THAT!
YOU SHO' ARE THE CUTEST LIL' OL' BOY...
DRUGS


YOU SHO' ARE CUTE, YOU LIL' OL' CANDIED YAM!
AWWWW, LULU-BELLE...

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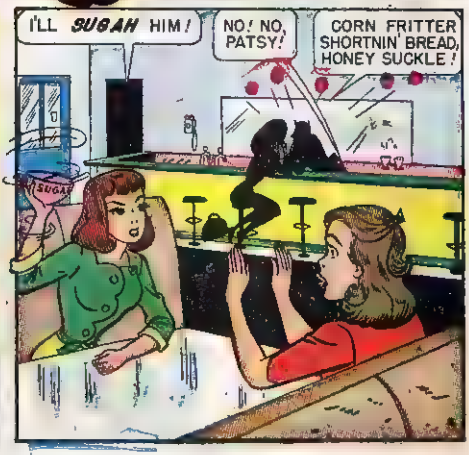
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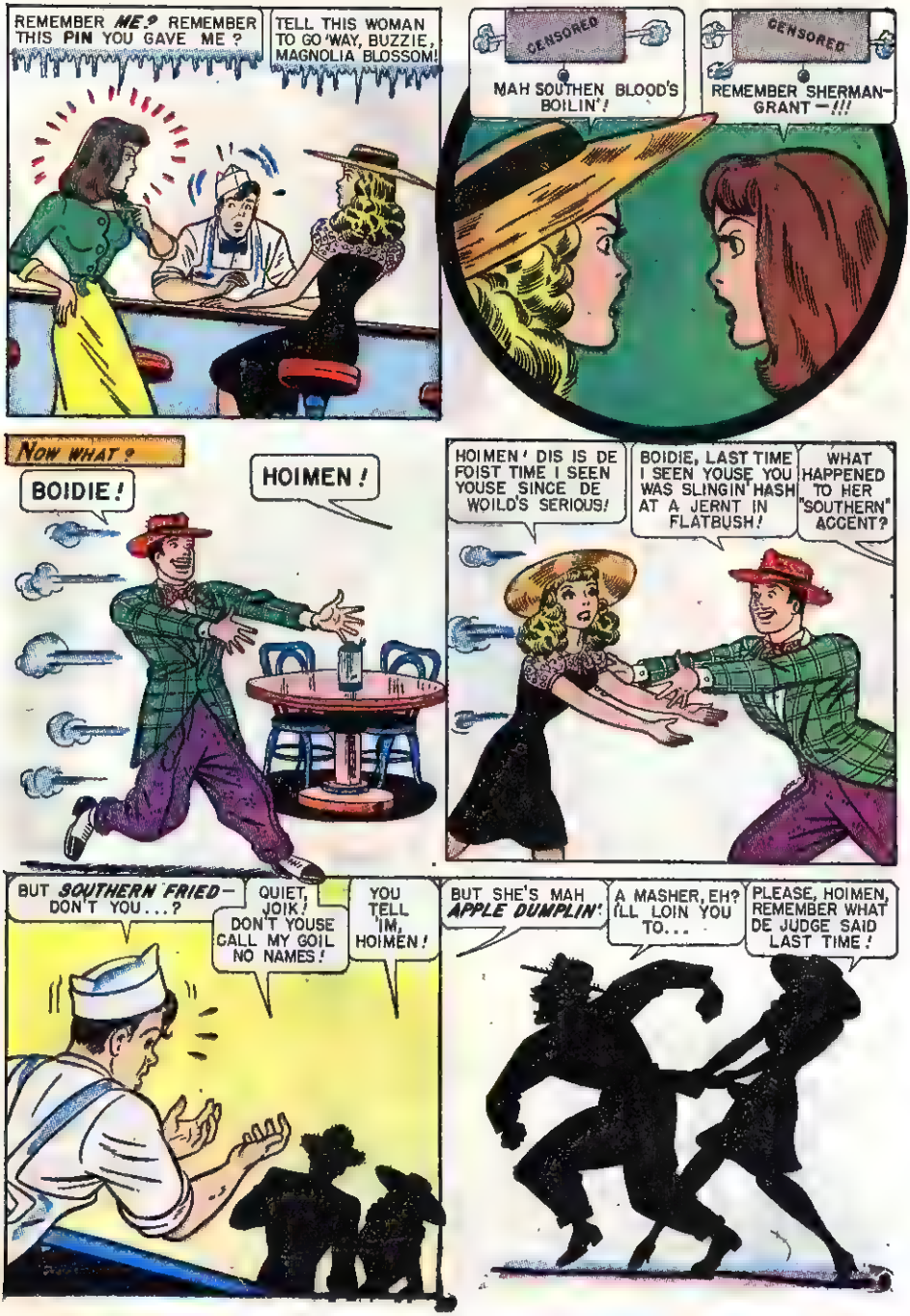
REMEMBER ME? REMEMBER THIS PIN YOU GAVE ME ?
TELL THIS WOMAN TO GO 'WAY, BUZZIE, MAGNOLIA BLOSSOM!
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REMEMBER SHERMAN-GRANT —!!!
NOW WHAT ?
BOIDIE!
HOIMEN!
HOIMEN! DIS IS DE FOIST TIME I SEEN YOUSE SINCE DE WOILD'S SERIOUS!
BOIDIE, LAST TIME I SEEN YOUSE YOU WAS SLINGIN' HASH AT A JERNT IN FLATBUSH!
WHAT HAPPENED TO HER "SOUTHERN" ACCENT?
BUT SOUTHERN FRIED— DON'T YOU...?
QUIET, JOIK! DON'T YOUSE CALL MY GOIL NO NAMES!
YOU TELL 'IM, HOIMEN!
BUT SHE'S MAH APPLE DUMPLIN'
A MASHER, EH? I'LL LOIN YOU TO...
PLEASE, HOIMEN, REMEMBER WHAT DE JUDGE SAID LAST TIME!

LEAVE ME GO, BOIDIE! I'LL MOIDER DE BUM!
NO, HOIMEN! HE'S JUST A POOR SAP WHAT FELL FOR ME SOUTHERN ROUTINE!
SUGAR
LET 'ER FLY!
THAT'LL FIX HERMAN, WE'LL BET!
BONG!
WHISH
GO AWAY, YOU BRUTE!
I LOINED HIM AWRIGHT, DIDN'T I?
AND YOU'RE A BRUTE TOO, MR. BAXTER! I'M NEVER GOING TO SPEAK TO YOU AGAIN!
OHHHHH!
SHE SAID SHE'D NEVER SPEAK TO HIM AGAIN, BUT THREE HOURS LATER...WELL, THAT'S LIFE, FOR YOU!
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I NEVER SAID THAT, I'M SURE! GIVE ME THE PHONE!
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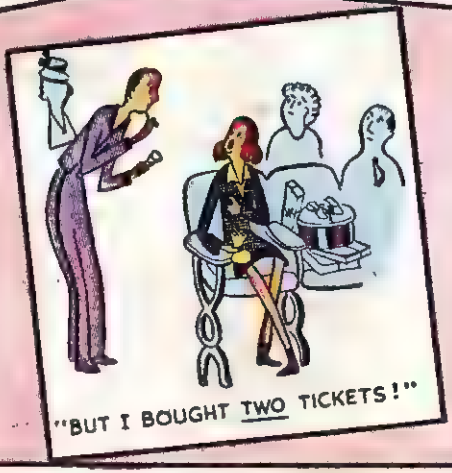

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Dear Betty Ann—

Hollywood, Calif.

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All week I'd been waiting to hear one member of my anxious family mention the fact that my natal day was approaching. A day for great rejoicing. A day worthy of their respect and good wishes and celebration. A day when all of the world beams and turns proudly to you and says, "It's your day. It's all yours. Happy Birthday!"

That's the way birthdays are glorified, heralded in verse on the birthday cards, so I was careful to observe any indications on the part of my family or friends; to discern whether or not they were about to discharge any filial or friendly obligations my way. And alas, Betts, I never felt more alone in the world.

By last night I knew they'd all forgotten. I decided I wouldn't say one word at home. If Mom and Pops couldn't remember the most important day of their life when a little daughter arrived to bless their home and their happiness, well, I'd not be the one to tell them.

I did sort of hint, when Beverly and Sally and Darlene and I were having a malt after school. I said sort of wondering out loud, "I wonder that the Malt Shoppe doesn't feature birthday cakes, what with all of the kids at Hollywood High having so many birthdays and all."

No one said a word. They kept right on gurgling their straws for the last drop.

Then I said, quite innocently, "I think it's fun to have birthdays, and cakes and surprises." Bev said, "Natch," and in the same

breath — "If chocolate malts weren't so fattening, and if they didn't cost twenty cents, I'd have another."

Then this morning, Betts, when I went in to breakfast, there were Mom and Pops beaming, and there was a big birthday present! Inwardly I was sorry for having had such disrespectful thoughts like my parents being unworthy of me and all.

The present was a fleecy white coat. Simply terrif. Moms said, "I know it is very impractical, and will have to be going to the cleaners each time you wear it, but I knew how you'd love it, and Pops finally weakened."

The day was average, and about the time I was sorry that I wasn't having a birthday cake, since there wasn't the slightest evidence of one anywhere, I even looked up on the top shelves of the kitchen cabinet, why, Pops arrived home for dinner. Moms says, "I think we should all go out for dinner, seeing it's Victoria's birthday," and Pops agreed.

On the way to dinner we stopped at Bev's house for a second, because Moms said Bev said I was to stop because she had a surprise for me.

Bev's house was very still and dark as I rang the bell, and suddenly, when I was ready to leave, thinking Bev was not at home, well, twenty kids jumped at me from the door and literally scared me to death!

"Surprise! Happy Birthday!" they yelled. It was a wonderful party, Betts. After I'd opened all the presents some simply darling things, like perfume, six new lipsticks of indelible irresistible red, and a leather case in which to carry my best boy friend's photographs, well, someone said we'd all go

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roller skating and then go to a movie.

Someone else said roller skating would get us all mussed up, and besides I was dressed really "mellow" with my plaid taffeta skirt and a black velvet top with my gold choker. So we went to the movies.

Someone chose the Colossal Theater, because I work there on Saturdays and they'd arranged with the manager to have the whole party "for free" in my honor.

As we walked in, Betts, who was standing there waiting for a seat, but Lon. Lon McCallister, in person!

Of course, you know how my heart goes for Lon. So no wonder that I wasn't more surprised when Darlene up and says, "Lon's your date for the movie. He was invited to meet you here. Well, go tell him you're here."

"Really," I gasped. Still being in a dream, I walked over and said, "Hello, Mr. McCallister. I'm so happy that you could make the show."

"So am I," he said in that wonderful way. "The girls told me about inviting you to my birthday party and this show," I murmured, not too confidently.

"They did," he said, looking over at Darlene, who was giggling. "Wouldn't you know Darlene would giggle at just such a moment.

"Then let's go in," said Lon. And we did.

After the show the girls clamored around Lon, and he bought all of us ice cream sodas at the Malt Shoppe.

On the way home I told the girls that having Lon come to the show as part of my birthday surprise was the nicest part of all. And while I was thanking each girl, Bev said, "Darlene, I think you had better tell Vicky the beautiful truth!"

"What truth?" I asked.

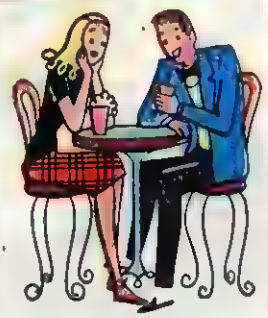
Darlene blushed a rosy red and confessed that Lon being at the theater on our arrival was purely coincidental. That she had told me he was a guest and my partner just for a joke. She said she was really ashamed of herself and very sorry. And please for me not to be too mad at her, because after all I had Lon's company exclusively for the entire time of the Frankie Sinatra movie.

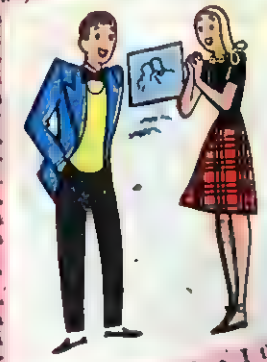
"Frankie Sinatra's a movie!" I exclaimed. I had been so carried away sitting by Lon McCallister I couldn't see Frankie for star dust in my eyes!

That's the truth, Betts. You can't blame me for not getting too mad at Darlene. It was a Happy Birthday after all, with Moms and Pops having another birthday cake and ice cream waiting for all of us when we reached home. And Lon to dream about!

Your faithful and devoted friend,

Vicky





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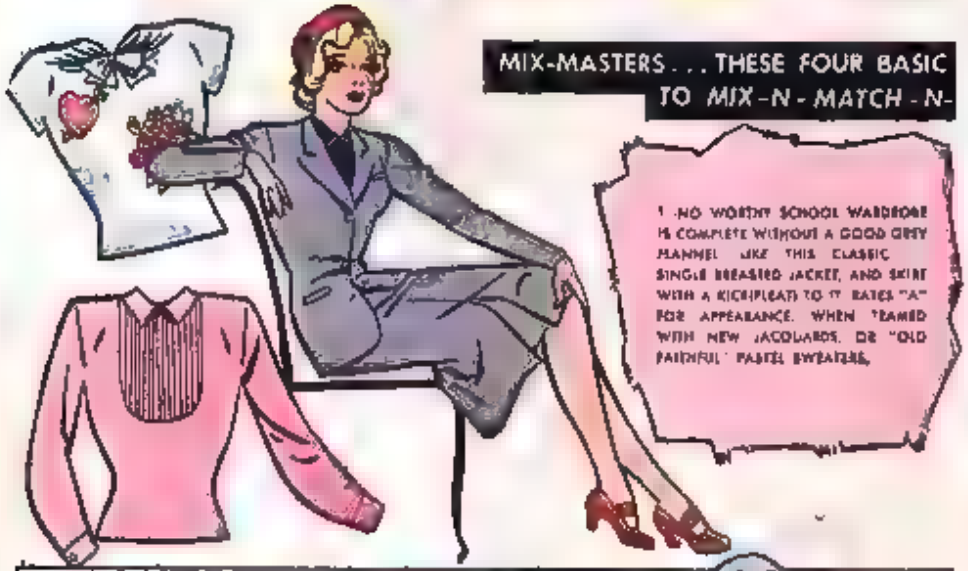

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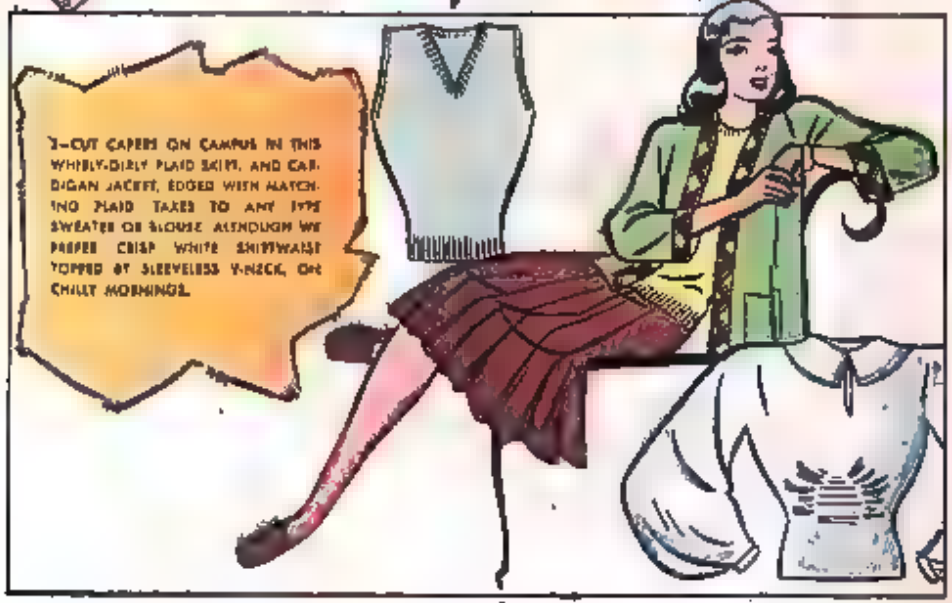

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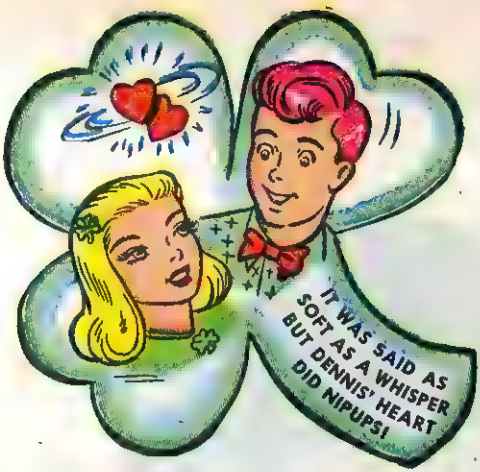

Murph sat down at her typewriter and began to pound it out.

. . . The large policeman's wife greeted him at the door of their neat home. She kissed him and asked, "Have a busy day, dear?"

He hugged her a moment and said, "Pretty quiet. I picked up a nut who was sitting on the Reverend Smythe's lawn washing his feet—"

"Why!" said his wife, "I think there was something about that in tonight's *Eagle*. Dennis, bring your father the *Eagle!*"

Dennis uncoiled six feet of slimness from a chair and walked over to his father with the paper.

The master of the household unbuttoned his uniform blouse, took the newspaper and sank into an easy chair.

"Patrolman Michael Shay," he read, "Shay! S-H-A-Y! It's a deliberate insult. My name is Shea! S-H-E-A. Every time the *Eagle* makes mention of me they deliberately misspell my name. I'll cancel my subscription!"

He stumped across the room to the telephone and called the newspaper.

"This," he said with deceiving sweetness, "is Patrolman Michael Shea. I just wanted to enquire who wrote that fine piece about me on page three of tonight's paper?"

He listened a moment and then exploded.

"So Francine Murphy wrote it? The daughter of the editor himself? And why doesn't she learn to spell an honest Irish name like S-H-E-A? You may cancel my subscription!"

Patrolman Shea stumped back to his chair and sat down heavily.

"Dennis," he said, "that girl that was here last Saturday night for dinner, the one you called Murph—is she, is she?"

"Yes, father," he said unhappily. "That's Francine Murphy."

"She'll never darken me threshold again nor will you ever speak to her again. She and her father have done their best to miscall me. We'll have none of them again. Nor will any one in this house ever mention them. I have spoken."

. . . "Hello, Dennis."

It was said as soft as a whisper but Dennis' heart did nipups!

"You've been avoiding me, Dennis." Murph looked questioningly up into Dennis' eyes. "And your Pop cancelled your subscription to the paper. Oh, Dennis, I'm so sorry. And it is really Sergeant Brophy's fault. He spelled your father's name S-H-A-Y on the police blotter and I just copied it. And was it really such an awful mistake?"

Dennis gulped.

"It's hard to explain," he said. "But Pop's always been like that about our name. He says that the Sheas are descended from Irish kings and it makes him furious when someone calls him Shay!"

They looked at each other tragically.

"He says I can't see you or talk to you," Dennis said. "But maybe when he wouldn't know about it we could—"

"No." Murph said it firmly. "If we can't see and talk to each other openly we won't at all!"

Sighing, she turned away and walked slowly toward the office.

Mr. Murphy jumped up from his desk and walked toward her when he saw her face as she came in.

"Brophy been picking on you?" he growled. "I'll have that dumb cop's stripes."

"Not Brophy, Pop," wailed Murph. "It's Dennis and me and his father. It's just awful. You probably wouldn't understand."

"Oh, I don't know, daughter. I've been around. Why not tell me?"

Murph told him the whole story with the words tumbling over each other and ended, "And Patrolman Shea says Dennis and I can never see each other again." She buried her nose against her father's shoulder and sniffled loudly.

"There, there." Her father patted her. "If I know the Irish, and why shouldn't I being a Murphy, a little blarney will repair the damage. A little praise poured on an Irishman is like a summer rain on roses. You'll see. Just wait your chance and lay it on thick."

. . . One evening, some weeks later while Patrolman Shea was easing himself into his easy chair, Dennis approached him extending a copy of the *Eagle*.

"The *Eagle!*" said Patrolman Shea. "In this house! Throw it out."

"There's something in it about you," Dennis said. "I thought you ought to see it."

Patrolman Shea began to read aloud: "Patrolman Michael Shea is not only a descendant of the Irish kings but is also an eminent oologist. Today, while patrolling his beat on Ninth Avenue, Patrolman Shea found a small blue egg at the edge of a lawn. Identifying it as a robin's egg, Patrolman Shea located the nest and returned the egg to the worried mother bird, characteristic of Irish kindliness."

Shea regarded his son suspiciously. "What's an oologist?"

"A scientist versed in the study of birds' eggs."

Patrolman Shea chuckled.

"A scientist no less and with the name spelled S-H-E-A, too! Could it be that a certain young lady whose name hasn't been mentioned in this house wrote this bit of flattery?"

"It *could*," said Dennis.

"Mother!" shouted Patrolman Shea.

Mrs. Shea came out of the kitchen.

"You know," he said, "I think Dennis ought to have more of his young friends visit him here and maybe stop for a bite to eat. Maybe a young lady or two like that—"

"Like that one whose name cannot be mentioned in this house?" suggested Mrs. Shea.

"I mean just that," said Patrolman Shea. "If ever there was a true Irish lass who has kissed the Blarney Stone, it is—"

But Mrs. Shea was not listening.

She was already at the telephone saying, "Francine, darling, Mr. Shea and Dennis and I would be delighted for your company tonight at dinner. We're having the old oologist's favorite dish—corned beef hash with poached eggs. And don't forget to bring a half dozen extra copies of tonight's paper. The oologist will be wanting to give them to his friends!"

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